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Prior to examination, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows.

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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

*Please amend the specification as follows:*

*Kindly replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 22, with the following:*

(b) -An essential aspect of color communication lies in the differentiation whether apparatus dependent or apparatus independent color spaces are used. If apparatus independent color spaces are used, the color profiles assigned to the pictures or input and output apparatus still allow a precise color communication. The corresponding mechanisms were defined, for example by the ICC (International color consortium). The apparatus specific color spaces are thereby specified by so-called apparatus profiles. The generation